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In re Patent Application of

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CHARLES, I. et al.

Serial No. 10/031,786

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Title: TRANSPOSON MEDIATED DIFFERENTIAL HYBRIDISATION

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Total effective claims after amendment	0	minus highest number		
previously paid for	20	(at least 20) =	0 x \$ 18.00	\$ 0.00

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☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith

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Kindly preliminarily amend the above-identified  
application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1 to 8, 10 to 13, 17 to 19, 21, 23 to 25  
and 28 without prejudice and add the following new claims  
in lieu thereof.

cl 29. (New) A method for identifying an essential gene  
of an organism comprising:

(i) providing a library of transposon mutants of the  
said organism;